

ENGLISH RAILROADS FACE LABOR CRISIS

Men Demand That All War
Increases Be Made
Permanent.

ALTERNATIVE OFFERED

Companies Willing to Meet
High Cost of Living on
Changing Scale.

London, March 15.—A serious situation has arisen with regard to the differences between the railway men and the companies as to pay and working conditions, it was admitted by J. H. Thomas, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, in an interview last night after the adjournment of a meeting of the organization. Mr. Thomas said, however, that he was still working to reach a settlement and that the meeting held to-day had been adjourned until Thursday next, with a decision to be reached meanwhile as to the next steps to be taken.

A decision also had been reached at the meeting, Mr. Thomas announced, that the triple alliance representatives be called together next Friday for final decision as to the cooperation of the miners, transport workers and railway men.

At the meeting of the delegates of the National Railway Union Friday the interim report of the negotiating committee was taken under consideration. This committee has during the last three weeks been conferring with the Board of Trade with a view to reaching a settlement of the men's demands. It reported not only on all the proposals of the railway companies' executive committee but also on the principles on which the proposals were based, and intimated to the Government a refusal of the union to compromise on the national programme. The national programme of the railway men as set forth in demands made include the making permanent of all increases in wages granted during the war, fixed hours for employment, a fortnight's holiday annually with pay and equal representation of the union in the management of all the railroads.

The proposals made by the railway companies have not been divulged, but the roads are understood to recognize the necessity of an increase of pay to meet the higher cost of living, and a scheme is suggested under which the men would receive a permanent advance varying from 30 to 50 per cent. above the pre-war rate, the scheme being largely based upon the idea that prices will fall in two years to a level equivalent to 50 per cent. above pre-war prices. The Daily Telegraph characterizes the action of the men as an ultimatum to the Government, and the outlook is generally regarded with much concern.

Trouble is also brewing in another important industrial quarter, the Agricultural Laborers' Union being in conflict with the employers regarding wages and hours. The men have asked an increase of \$5 a week over the existing minimum wage. The employers offered \$1.25 advance. The union offered to compromise on \$2.50, but this was refused.

Gas Overcomes Five Firemen.

Patrick Walsh, battalion chief; Capt. Joseph O'Hanlon and four other members of Engine Company 32 were overcome by monoxide gas at a fire in the basement of a three-story building at 216 Front street yesterday. They were carried to a nearby drug store and revived. The cellar was occupied by T. Buckley, a cooper. The damage was about \$1,000.

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